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[Sir Francis Drake Honored By The Natives of the Island of California] Einwohner auff der Insul California

Stock#: 58771
Map Maker: Happel
Date: 1688
Place: Hamburg
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 8 x 13.7 inches
Price: \$ 345.00



Description:

Francis Drake on the Island of California!

Scarce image of the reception of Sir Francis Drake by the Indians of the "Island of California" in 1577.

The image appeared in Happel's *Thesaurus Exoticorum*, published in Hamburg in 1688.



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The image is a curious conflation of myth and fact, as the concept of the "Island of California" did not exist in Drake's lifetime, but was the prevailing geographical conception of California in 1688, when Happel's book was published, and, of course, its unlikely that Drake's reception was remotely similar to Happel's image.

Detailed Condition: